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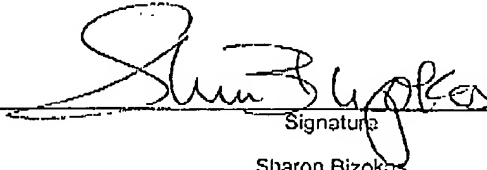
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Dear Sir:

In response to the restriction requirement set forth in the Office Action mailed January 12, 2006, applicant hereby provisionally elects Group II, claims 1 to 7, 20, 21, 45 to 59, 62 to 64, 70 to 75, 77 and 78 and partial peptide having amino acid residues 81-92 of SEQ ID NO: 8 for continued examination, with traverse.

The Examiner has required restriction between groups:

- I. Claims 1 to 7, 20, 21, 45 to 59, 62 to 64, 70 to 75, 77 and 78, only in so far as they are drawn to a polypeptide comprising the amino acid sequence presented in SEQ ID NO:1, and fragments thereof, classified in class 530, subclass 350.
- II. Claims 1 to 7, 20, 21, 45 to 59, 62 to 64, 70 to 75, 77 and 78, only in so far as they are drawn to a polypeptide comprising the amino acid sequence

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